From: Brush, Jason

To: <u>Castanon, David J SPL</u>; <u>Leidy, Robert</u>

**Subject:** RE: Call with Rosemont at 1:00 today (UNCLASSIFIED)

**Date:** Thursday, March 20, 2014 11:52:00 AM

Absolutely. Can you provide a call-in number?

From: Castanon, David J SPL [mailto:David.J.Castanon@usace.army.mil]

**Sent:** Thursday, March 20, 2014 11:48 AM

To: Brush, Jason; Leidy, Robert

Subject: Call with Rosemont at 1:00 today (UNCLASSIFIED)

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Caveats: NONE

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Let me know if he or you would be available to joint that call today at 1:00.

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Cc: <u>Diebolt, Sallie SPL; Blaine, Marjorie E SPL; Diamond, Jane; Martynowicz, Trina</u>

Bcc: Goldmann, Elizabeth; Leidy, Robert; Jessop, Carter; Goforth, Kathleen; Evans, David; Miller, Clay; Kaiser, Russell;

Flannery-Keith, Erin

Subject: RE: Corps Mitigation Process (UNCLASSIFIED)

Date: Friday, January 24, 2014 6:24:00 PM

Dave —I was out with a sick kid yesterday and missed your message below. But wanted to say that my team and I very much appreciate you articulating these steps for the group. Personally, I appreciate the several places you've acknowledged EPA review in the process ahead, as well as the recognition that the currently proposed sites do not hold enough potential on their own to meet the applicant's mitigation needs.

Have a good weekend, and I look forward to seeing you next week.

#### Jason

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Sent: Thursday, January 23, 2014 3:37 PM

To: Greczmiel, Horst

Cc: Diebolt, Sallie SPL; Blaine, Marjorie E SPL; Brush, Jason

**Subject:** Corps Mitigation Process (UNCLASSIFIED)

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Caveats: NONE

Horst,

For tomorrow's call, you wanted participants to have a more robust discussion on

mitigation. (b)(5) - deliberative

CC: EPA (Jason Brush)

V/R,

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Date: Wednesday, February 05, 2014 2:31:00 PM

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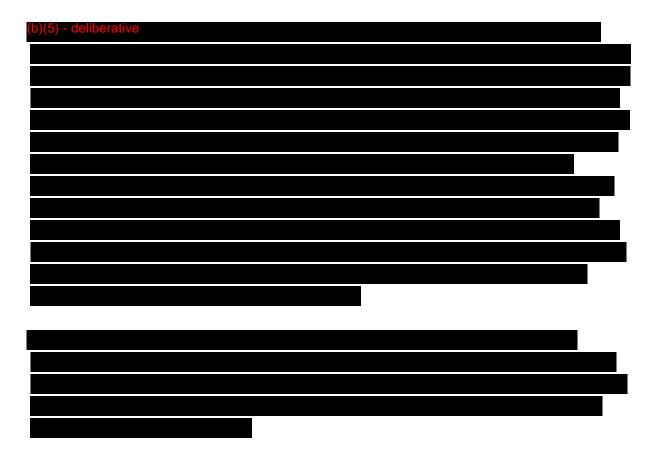
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Bcc: Leidy, Robert; Goldmann, Elizabeth; Diamond, Jane

Subject: Re: Jared"s Mtg with Col. Colloton on 12 Feb (UNCLASSIFIED)

**Date:** Wednesday, February 05, 2014 5:57:51 PM

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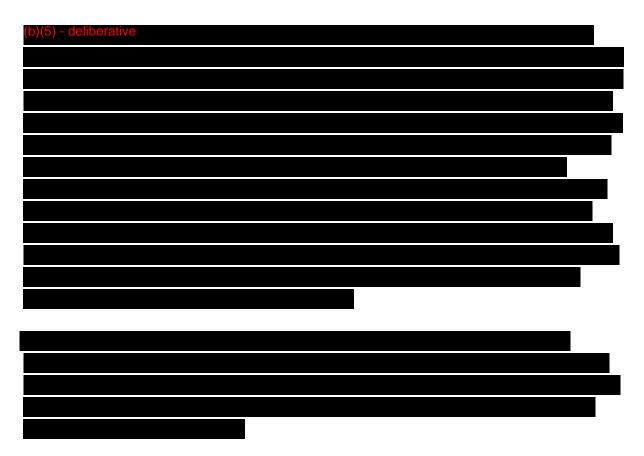
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Cc: Goldmann, Elizabeth; Diamond, Jane; Leidy, Robert

Subject: RE: Jared"s Mtg with Col. Colloton on 12 Feb (UNCLASSIFIED)

Date: Wednesday, February 05, 2014 2:04:00 PM

Hi Dave – Jane is meeting with Jared this afternoon on several topics including this, and we've given her some ideas. We'll have a short proposed agenda to send your way either COB today or early tomorrow. He's traveling for Administrator McCarthy's trip to LA so we're tentatively thinking a one-hour slot (perhaps 2:00-3:00) for him and the Colonel. Her secretary told his that she's holding 1-3 for him as of this morning. -Jason

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Subject: Re: Proposed agenda for Corps-EPA meeting in LA on 2/12, incl. 90 minutes for RA and DE (1:30-3:00)

(UNCLASSIFIED)

**Date:** Monday, February 10, 2014 11:34:48 AM

I think I forgot to put on out-of-office message. I'm in mgrs retreat today and tomorrow (Amato acting), so limited abilities to communicate before Wed. Agreed we won't fly Rob down under circumstances, and a short caucus prior to executives' meeting probably makes sense. Jared and I could call Rob while we're en route from the airport; he and I are flying together and getting in around 12.

From: Castanon, David J SPL < David.J.Castanon@usace.army.mil>

**Sent:** Monday, February 10, 2014 10:04:12 AM

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(1:30-3:00) (UNCLASSIFIED)

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Jason,

Sorry about the confusion regarding travel plans. I hadn't intended to have Marjorie or Sallie fly out for this. Also, the Corps has severe travel budget cuts this year. I suggest we have the staff meeting by phone to save scarce travel funds for both agencies. Only question is how we have the report-out of the staff meeting during the afternoon executive meeting. We will have Marjorie in the afternoon meeting so she can report out. Would you want some time to caucus with your staff prior to 1330? We can provide you a room for that call if needed.

I'll get back to you on your other comments shortly.

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From: Brush, Jason [mailto:Brush.Jason@epa.gov]

Sent: Friday, February 07, 2014 6:43 PM

To: Castanon, David J SPL

Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Proposed agenda for Corps-EPA meeting in LA on 2/12, incl. 90 minutes for

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Date:Friday, February 07, 2014 6:42:00 PMAttachments:Large project risk review Jan6.docx

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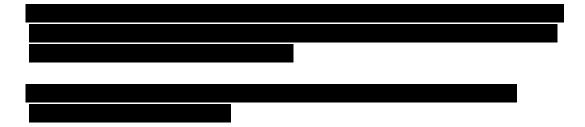
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Date: Tuesday, February 11, 2014 8:29:45 AM

Thanks. We appreciate being heard out. And we share your primary objective of driving the permit evaluation process forward to conclusion as efficiently as possible.

However, I doubt any of the principles we might agree on would really be "new." For example, the proposals that were floated at Pantano---lots of credit for upland buffer and a translation of a stream network to one small parcel with a broad drainage---are not consistent with well established Corps principles and guidance.

Given the applicant is actually not very far along in the mitigation process (Corps has agreed the only site on the table is insufficient on it's own), given they're seeking guidance from EPA, and given that a CEQ referral and 404q elevation are pending, I'm not sure that it would be "unfair" to the applicant, as you say, to proceed as EPA has suggested. The most "efficient path to conclusion" is collaborative.

#### Jason

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Sallie was part of the team that developed the mitigation ratio checklist, so we have that covered. I don't want to pull Dan off of other work he is focused on right now. The Corps is willing to hear EPA's concerns and suggestions, but we also recognize that we are very far along in the permit evaluation process and we have already communicated expectations to the applicant for developing mitigation plans. It would not be fair to significantly change the how we have been planning to address mitigation at this late date. So the notion of developing new conceptual principles for

addressing mitigation for large projects and applying them to Rosemont is of concern. Nonetheless, we will hear out EPAs suggestions.

Though I would prefer to not have (or to narrow) areas of disagreement between COE and EPA, my primary objective is to drive the permit evaluation process forward to a conclusion as efficiently as possible. By that, I in no way mean to imply we have already decided to grant a permit.

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Cc: <u>Castanon, David J SPL</u>

Subject: Re: Proposed Rosemont Letter and Technical Memo (UNCLASSIFIED)

**Date:** Thursday, April 17, 2014 10:12:59 AM

### Thanks Marjorie.

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Verizon Wireless 4G LTE network.

Original Message

From: Blaine, Marjorie E SPL

Sent: Thursday, April 17, 2014 9:17 AM To: Brush, Jason; 'jupchurch01@fs.fed.us'

Subject: Fw: Proposed Rosemont Letter and Technical Memo (UNCLASSIFIED)

Fyi. Hard copies in the mail to you both.

Marjorie Blaine Senior Regulatory Project Manager Message sent from my Blackberry

----- Original Message -----From: Mack, Juanita SPL

Sent: Wednesday, April 16, 2014 02:15 PM

To: rpace@rosementcopper.com <rpace@rosementcopper.com>

Cc: Blaine, Marjorie E SPL

Subject: Proposed Rosemont Letter and Technical Memo (UNCLASSIFIED)

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Mr. Pace,

Please see attached letter and Technical memorandum dated April 16, 2014. If you have any questions please contact Marjorie Blaine.

Thank you,

Juanita Mack
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To: <u>Blaine, Marjorie E SPL; Brush, Jason; Diebolt, Sallie SPL</u>

Subject: RE: Rosemont (UNCLASSIFIED)

Date: Friday, February 28, 2014 1:50:16 PM

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Caveats: NONE

Jason,

Sorry for my delay in responding. Been out sick all week until now.

I appreciate the notice of these requests and your suggestion that the Corps participate. Yes, we would like to be in those meetings, but we would have to do so by phone. Marjorie would be our first choice given her greater knowledge of the details of this project. Sallie or I could stand in if Marjorie weren't available.

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To: Brush, Jason; Castanon, David J SPL; Diebolt, Sallie SPL

Subject: RE: Rosemont (UNCLASSIFIED)

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Marjorie

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To: Castanon, David J SPL

Subject: RE: Rosemont Letter (UNCLASSIFIED)

Date: Monday, March 03, 2014 12:36:00 PM

Thanks. Any reaction from RM?

----Original Message-----

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To: Brush, Jason

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To: Castanon, David J SPL

Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Lake Havasu Airpark permit info (UNCLASSIFIED)

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To: David J Castanon

Subject: Re: Rosemont Letter (UNCLASSIFIED)

Date: Thursday, March 06, 2014 10:13:33 AM

Yes, got from MB first, thanks.

From: Castanon, David J SPL <David.J.Castanon@usace.army mil>

Sent: Thursday, March 06, 2014 9:02:27 AM

To: Brush, Jason

Subject: RE: Rosemont Letter (UNCLASSIFIED)

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 Date:
 Wednesday, March 26, 2014 5:27:00 PM

Thank you, Marjorie. Do you know if the Colonel has cleared any time that first week in April for the personal presentation they asked for, and/or whether they have reached out to SPD yet for same?

Jason A. Brush Supervisor, Wetlands Office U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9 75 Hawthorne Street (WTR-8) San Francisco, CA 94105

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From: Blaine, Marjorie E SPL [mailto:Marjorie.E.Blaine@usace.army.mil]

**Sent:** Wednesday, March 26, 2014 5:04 PM **To:** Castanon, David J SPL; Diebolt, Sallie SPL

**Cc:** Allen, Aaron O SPL; Macneil, Spencer D SPL; Goldmann, Elizabeth; Brush, Jason

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#### Good afternoon:

I met with RM this morning including their primary consultant, WestLand Resources, and also present was Nate Bello from WRA representing Michael Josselyn.

I inquired as to whether RM intends to submit a draft plan for Corps/EPA review as I had anticipated one last Friday. Kathy Arnold stated RM has determined it will not be submitting any further drafts or conceptual written plans for Corps/EPA review. They believe that by doing that, it leaves the door open for continuous comments and changes being made and they wish to just provide the final mitigation plan on Tuesday, April 1. I confirmed this several times and told them that I believed their best interests were served in allowing a review of any draft/conceptual plans before the due date. They disagree and politely declined our offer for review.

Next Tuesday, they will load their final mitigation plan into a dropbox, will provide me with a hard copy, and will fedex hard copies to EPA and Ventura Field Office.

They did present a new conceptual plan for SCR which involved additional braids; the larger main channel will have an 8'wide pilot channel with a 3:1 slope within a wider "inundation" channel which appears to be an overbank area which will then be within a wider still floodplain type of channel. Smaller braids will have the same concept but with a 6'w pilot channel. The overflow channel will have a 4' wide pilot channel. They believe that their new plan will result in re-establishment of 40 ac of WUS.

Nate did indicate that, based on his site visit at SCR yesterday, he does not see degradation of the existing washes to the east on the hillsides and also agreed with me that there is likely very little enhancement which will occur by fencing; however, fending the ag field area will result in more enhancement.

He also felt that, based upon his experience with SPL as well as SPN and SPK and the MRC, that we should separate the higher gradient/headwater washes in the project area from the lower gradient washes (Barrel Canyon, Wasp Canyon, McCleary Canyon) and run the MRC separately for these as he believes the higher gradient washes do not have the same functions. There are approx. 20 ac in each category. I believe their goal is to get to less required mitigation for the 40.4 ac by arguing that the higher gradient systems have less functions and, therefore, should be at a lower mitigation ratio.

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For Fullerton, Nate (who did not visit the site) has identified some potential areas for restoration based on a site visit last week of WL biologists cataloging the site for areas of degradation.

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So...nothing to review right now.

Marjorie

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To: <u>Castanon, David J SPL</u>

Subject: RE: Rosemont tour and Col. Colloton"s schedule with TON tribe (UNCLASSIFIED)

**Date:** Tuesday, January 14, 2014 12:07:00 PM

Thanks – I'd asked that the RA's Special Assistant (Trina) handle directly with Colonel's office, and sounds like that's happening. -JB

From: Castanon, David J SPL [mailto:David.J.Castanon@usace.army.mil]

**Sent:** Tuesday, January 14, 2014 11:44 AM

To: Brush, Jason

Cc: Goldmann, Elizabeth

Subject: RE: Rosemont tour and Col. Colloton's schedule with TON tribe (UNCLASSIFIED)

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Caveats: NONE

Jason, I think the Colonel's secretary is in touch with Blumenfeld's office to finalize the itinerary.

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From: Brush, Jason
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 Bcc:
 Leidy, Robert; Goldmann, Elizabeth; Goforth, Kathleen; Kaiser, Russell; Evans, David

 Subject:
 Re: Rosemont tour and Col. Colloton's schedule with TON tribe (UNCLASSIFIED)

**Date:** Friday, January 10, 2014 8:48:09 AM

Thanks. We understand and appreciate that this is first and foremost the Corps' tour. Like you, we're trying to make most use of executives' limited time. I'm very pleased the Colonel and Jared and Jane will get the face time under any itinerary. We just think that from a 404 perspective, its better to see the impact areas with certainty (Empire) than a distant (time-consuming) trip to a mitigation parcel we had formerly agreed was not appropriate. Appreciate you touching base, and "see" you on the CEQ call today. -JB

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To: Castanon, David J SPL

with the Colonel's office for Jan 21 .

I think Marjorie and Rob/Liz have exchanged some ideas in terms of recommending alterations of the itinerary proposed by the applicant. Given time and distances between sites, and several stakeholders to see (Pima, TON, etc.), Jared has expressed an interest in having tribal consultation on the 28<sup>th</sup>. He will likely be signing a letter tomorrow to the tribe responding to their request for consultation.

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Working on it now. Nothing solid yet as we were hoping to sync with ACE. Likely TON offices in or around Tucson. Our AIR division also has a place-based person in Tucson, but I'm not sure of her access to meeting facilities. Can we put Colonel's secretary in touch directly with Jared's?

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Sent: Friday, January 10, 2014 11:41 AM

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Subject: RE: Rosemont tour and Col. Colloton's schedule with TON tribe (UNCLASSIFIED)

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Caveats: NONE

Jason,

The Colonel's secretary is looking to see if there is flexibility in Col. Colloton's schedule to arrive earlier on the 28th. Is it possible the meeting with the tribe could be scheduled for the early afternoon? Does EPA have a tentative time and location set yet for the tribal meeting?

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To: <u>Castanon, David J SPL</u>

Subject: RE: Rosemont visit itinerary (UNCLASSIFIED)

Date: Wednesday, January 22, 2014 5:23:00 PM

Agreed. Any potential meetings with non-govenrmental stakeholders will be separate from mine tour and SCR. Horst and other DC folks are coming in on Monday night to have a full day Tues prior to the tribal meeting, so that's probably when that'll happen. Also appears FS and Horst have interest in convening a feds-only "wrap-up" discussion Thursday morning.

From: Castanon, David J SPL [mailto:David.J.Castanon@usace.army.mil]

Sent: Wednesday, January 22, 2014 4:34 PM

To: Brush, Jason

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The L.A. River issue is the Civil Works L.A. River Ecosystem Restoration Project (just an internal Corps mtg at HQ I think), not any regulatory issues.

Any EPA HQ folks are welcome to join us at SCR or at the mine site tour. As well as any other staff from other agencies involved in the CEQ calls regarding the referral process, but we absolutely do not want other parties (County, NGOs, pro or anti project interests) to be part of those two stops. I'll forward your HQ folks' names to Marjorie for any updates to her itinerary.

Of course it is up to EPA whether they would like those outside interests to be part of the Empire Gulch visit or other meetings during the week.

Thanks.

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Sent: Wednesday, January 22, 2014 4:05 PM

To: Castanon, David J SPL

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] RE: Rosemont visit itinerary (UNCLASSIFIED)

What's the LA River thing? Civil works / City of LA revitalization stuff or a Regulatory Div angle?

DC folks are anxious to make reservations for Rosemont. We've just now rec'd Corps' planned itinerary from Marjorie, and our RA's office is working on reconciling them. At a glance, I think we're pretty well synced for the parts that overlap.

FYI, participants from EPA HQ do not appear on Marjorie's list, but will include the AA designee Ken Kopocis, as well as Susan Bromm (OECA – NEPA). It appears now that I may be going as well, but uncertain.

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Sent: Wednesday, January 22, 2014 3:51 PM

To: Brush, Jason

**Subject:** RE: Rosemont visit itinerary (UNCLASSIFIED)

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED

Caveats: NONE

Yes, I am tracking the same. Hope L.A. River doesn't pull her away, but if it does, I, Sallie and Marjorie will still do the trip.

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Jane tells me that the Col said she's interested in having dinner after all, getting in earlier to have your briefing before the tribal meet. That's great. She also said an LA River issue potentially draws all the planning into question for the Col...but that she'd let us know for sure NLT tomorrow (Th) morning. -JB

From: Brush, Jason

Sent: Wednesday, January 22, 2014 8:09:25 AM

**To:** David J Castanon

**Subject:** Re: Rosemont visit itinerary (UNCLASSIFIED)

Sounds right, thanks. As I said, Jared and the Col spoke yesterday and he does want to see SCR given the Corps focus on it.

From: Castanon, David J SPL < <u>David.J.Castanon@usace.army.mil</u>>

**Sent:** Tuesday, January 21, 2014 5:29:54 PM

To: Brush, Jason

**Subject:** Rosemont visit itinerary (UNCLASSIFIED)

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED

Caveats: NONE

Jason,

I heard from Marjorie today that she and Elizabeth have spoken about the itinerary and apparently it is confirmed that Jared does want to see Sonoita Creek Ranch (SCR).

So on the 29<sup>th</sup>, from 8:00 to 10:00, Col. Colloton and Corps staff will meet privately with the applicant while Jared goes to visit Empire Gulch area. Then both will meet up at SCR at 10:30.

After SCR, Col. Colloton and some EPA folks (including Jane Diamond) will go to tour the actual mine site.

Marjorie indicated that Elizabeth said she is still waiting on confirmation of the meeting with TON about whether and where the meeting will be on the 28<sup>th</sup> from

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To: <u>Castanon, David J SPL</u>

Subject: RE: Waters of the US Rule text and website (UNCLASSIFIED)

**Date:** Wednesday, March 26, 2014 6:20:00 PM

It's official, I just wouldn't want to steal her thunder if she's doing her own outreach. If you haven't heard from her by April 1, I figure you're safe to offer your well-wishes.

Interesting news on the Rosemont front. Any update on coordination with SPD Commander, and whether Col. Colloton will be able to meet with Rosemont those first two weeks of April as they requested? I know you said you thought it unlikely with her schedule.

-Jason

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From: Castanon, David J SPL [mailto:David.J.Castanon@usace.army mil]

Sent: Wednesday, March 26, 2014 5:28 PM

To: Brush, Jason

Subject: RE: Waters of the US Rule text and website (UNCLASSIFIED)

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED

Caveats: NONE

Yes, interesting times.

Let me know if/when Mary's retirement becomes officially announced. I'd like to drop her a note before she leaves. I've worked with her off and on since I came to Regulatory back in (this is embarrassing) 1988.

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Cc: Eakle, Wade L SPD

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